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CONFIDENTIAL
PERSONAL FOR AMB HELMS FROM LTG BRETT
DELIVER DURING DUTY HOURS

SUBJ: GRUMMAN AGENTS' PROBLEMS

REF: EMB TEHRAN MSG 1383 101025Z FEB 75

1. IN CHECKING MY CHRONO FILE AND MY MEMORY, I CAN
NOT REPEAT CAN NOT FIND ANY EVIDENCE I WAS
INFORMED OF THE LAVI BROTHERS BEING ON A BLACKLIST
PRIOR TO MAY 1975. I DEFINITELY KNOW OF NO EVIDENCE
THAT THE MAAG WAS IN RECEIPT OF THE DOCUMENTS ON
THE LAVI BROTHERS PRIOR TO RECEIVING THEM FROM
HENRY PRECHT ON 20 JULY 1975.

2. AS YOU ARE AWARE, THE SUBJECT OF AGENTS AND
AGENTS' FEES CONSTANTLY CROPPED UP THROUGHOUT MY
TOUR. THEREFORE, IT IS POSSIBLE THE LAVI BROTHERS COULD HAVE BEEN
LUMPED IN WITH OTHERS PRIOR TO MAY 1975, WITH OUT MY
NOTICING IT.

3. I DO HAVE A XEROX FILE COPY OF WHAT MAY BE THE
MOST SIGNIFICANT: AN EMB FORM 35
ROUTING SLIP, DTD JULY 20, 1975, FROM HENRY PRECHT
WITH THIS TYPED NOTE: QUOTE ATTACHED DOCUMENTS ON
THE LAVI BROTHERS PROVIDED BY GEN TOUFANIAN ON
JULY 16, 1975. UNQUOTE THE ATTACHMENT US A 6 NOV 72
DOCUMENT FROM TOUFANIAN TO CHIEF, SUPREME
COMMANDER'S STAFF; UNDOUBTEDLY THE SAME 6 NOV 72
DOCUMENT YOU LIST IN YOUR 10 FEB MESSAGE, TO ME
THIS INDICATES THAT TOUFANIAN PASSED YOU A COPY OF
HIS LETTER ON JULY 16, 1975, NOT NECESSARILY IN 1972.
THE DISTRIBUTION ON THE TOUFANIAN DOCUMENT,
WRITTEN IN ENGLISH BY A FOREIGN HAND, IS LISTED AS:
QUOTE CHIEF, SCS AND THE CNC, IIIG, IIAF, IIN, IIIG,
II NATIONAL POLICE. UNQUOTE

WHILE I REALIZE YOU PROBABLY HAVE ALREADY
REVIEWED THE FOLLOWING, FOR COMPLETENESS
SAKE. THESE ARE MESSAGES AND MEMOS I KNOW OF THAT
RELATE TO THE SUBJECT:

A. ARMISH MAAG CONFIDENTIAL MSG 121333Z MAY 75
TO DCINCEUR AND SEC DEF/DSAA, SUBJECT: "USE OF
AGENTS BY COMMERCIAL FIRMS IN IRAN"

B. A MEMO OF CONVERSATION, SUBJECT: "MR. LAVI'S
REPUTATION" PREPARED BY MR. PRECHT ON NOV 14, 1973.
IT IS A MEETING BETWEEN LAVI AND PRECHT.
DISTRIBUTION OF THIS MEMO IS LISTED AS: J4
ARMISH-MAAG; AMB/DCM, NEA/IRN, POL, POL/M, ECON,
DAO. THIS IS THE EARLIEST DOCUMENT I RECALL
REGARDING LAVI.

C. ARMISH MAAG CONFIDENTIAL MSG 131331 MAY 75 TO
EUCOM ECJ4-7 AND SEC DEF/DSAA, COPIES PROVIDED
ARMISH MAAG J4, AM EMB/MR PRECHT; SUBJECT: USE OF
AGENTS BY COMMERCIAL FIRMS IN IRAN.

D. ARMISH-MAAG CONFIDENTIAL MSG 091335Z JUL 75,
PERSONAL TO LTG FISH AND SEC DEF/DSAA, WITH COPIES
PROVIDED TO AM EMB/MR PRECHT.

E. MR PRECHT'S SUMMARY AGENTS FEES,
CONFIDENTIAL MEMO TO THE AMBASSADOR, DATED 13 JUL 75,
MAY ALSO APPLY.

5. HOPEFULLY, THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF SOME USE.
IF DESIRED, I CAN DO ADDITIONAL RESEARCH, BUT A RATHER
DETAILED LOOK HAS ONLY SURFACED THE FOREGOING.
ALSO I CAN MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO GET THE ITEMS
LISTED IN PARA 3 AND 4 TO YOU, IF NOT AVAILABLE YOUR
END. MY VERY BEST.

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